

DWR increases State Water Project delivery projections DWR has increased its projected deliveries of State Water Project water in 2011 to 50 percent of contractors' requests. The details are available in a <u>notice to State Water Project contractors</u>. "This is very good news after the 2007-2009 drought from which we're still recovering," said DWR Director Mark Cowin. "We don't want to be overly optimistic with most of the winter ahead of us, but recent storms have given us the best early season water supply outlook in five years."

Workshop to be held for Delta, river salinity objectives In two weeks, the State Water Resources Control Board will hold a workshop to discuss its draft technical report on the scientific basis for alternative San Joaquin River flow and southern Delta salinity objectives. It will be held Thursday, Jan. 6, and Friday, Jan. 7 in Sacramento. The <u>public notice</u> for the workshop, and a copy of the <u>draft report</u> are available online.

Report provides new vision for California agriculture An effort that brought together agricultural, environmental, and nutritional experts, has led to the publication of a <u>vision for California agriculture</u>. The report includes a set of strategies to address the most critical challenges and assure the sustainability of California agriculture. The highest priorities in the report include better food access Californians, easing the burden of regulation, and assuring adequate agricultural water supply.

USDA seeking water proposals to help farmers, ranchers The USDA is seeking proposals for projects that will help farmers, ranchers, and private nonindustrial forest landowners implement beneficial water and land conservation practices. The requirements for submitting project proposals for the Agricultural Water Enhancement Program (AWEP) and the Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative (CCPI) can be found here. Proposals for AWEP and CCPI projects must be received by Natural Resources Conservation Service by Monday, Jan. 31.

First meeting of Tribal Advisory Committee to be held in February

The date has been set for the the inaugural meeting of the Tribal Advisory Committee for California Water Plan Update 2013. It will be held Friday, February 25, in Sacramento. The location for the meeting is still being determined. The Update 2013 Tribal Engagement website will have updates on location and materials as they become available.

DSC and DPC set meeting dates for January

The next meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council will be Thursday and Friday, Jan. 27 & 28, in West Sacramento. The agenda and meeting materials are still being developed. When they're finalized they'll be available here. The next meeting of the Delta Protection Commission will be Thursday, Jan. 27, in Stockton.

The Delta eNews will not be published next week. The next issue will come out two weeks from today on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2011.



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